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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1012

Introduced by Assembly Member V. Manuel Perez
(~~Coauthor: Assembly Member Fuentes~~ *Coauthors: Assembly*
***Members Fuentes, Galgiani, and Nielsen*)**

February 27, 2009

An act relating to broadband services, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1012, as amended, V. Manuel Perez. Broadband communications.

Existing law requires the Public Utilities Commission to consider and implement rules, procedures, and strategies to ensure that all California citizens and businesses have access to the widest possible array of advanced communications services. Existing law also requires the commission to ensure cost-effective deployment of technology so as to protect ratepayers' interests and the affordability of telecommunications services.

This bill would require the ~~Public Utilities Commission~~ *State Chief Information Officer (CIO)* to access and administer any moneys received by the state pursuant to the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan Act of 2009 that are directed for broadband-related activities, programs, or projects. The bill would require the ~~commission~~ *to meet CIO*, no later than 30 days after the effective date of this bill, to develop a strategy to expedite accessing those funds, including the requirement to specify actions that should be taken to assess, fund,

allocate, and install broadband in California's rural and underserved areas. The ~~commission~~ CIO would be required to submit the strategy to the relevant policy and fiscal committees in each house of the Legislature within 60 days of ~~its first meeting of the preparation of the strategy.~~

The bill would declare that it would take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) ~~The Public Utilities Commission~~ *State Chief*
2 *Information Officer (CIO)* shall access and administer any moneys
3 received by the state pursuant to the federal American Recovery
4 and Reinvestment Plan Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5) that are
5 directed for broadband-related activities, programs, or projects.
6 (b) ~~The commission shall meet~~ CIO no later than 30 days after
7 the effective date of this section ~~to~~, *shall* develop a strategy to
8 expedite accessing funds provided under the federal American
9 Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which shall include all
10 of the following:
11 (1) Specify the actions that should be taken to assess, fund,
12 allocate, and install broadband in California's rural and underserved
13 areas.
14 (2) Identify, for purposes of accomplishing the strategy, key
15 public and private community development partners, necessary
16 statutory or regulatory changes, and needed resources.
17 (3) Set key tasks, timelines, and monitoring processes.
18 (c) ~~The commission~~ CIO shall submit the strategy developed
19 pursuant to this section to the relevant policy and fiscal committees
20 of each house of the Legislature within 60 days of ~~its first meeting~~
21 ~~pursuant to this section~~ *the preparation of the strategy.*
22 SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
23 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within
24 the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into
25 immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

1 In order to develop a strategy for providing broadband access
2 to underserved areas in the state, it is necessary that this act take
3 effect immediately.

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